

Appl. No. 10/743,511
Amdt. Dated March 17, 2006
Reply to Final Office Action of January 5, 2006

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REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the final Office Action dated January 5, 2006. In that action the Examiner: 1) objected to the drawings; 2) rejected claims 9, 10, 14, 16-17 and 19-20 as allegedly anticipated by Sezginer (U.S. Pat. No. 5,510,712); 3) rejected claims 15 and 18 as allegedly obvious over Sezginer and Chen (U.S. Pat. No. 6,191,588); and 4) allowed claims 11-13 and 33-37.

With this Response, Applicants cancel claims 9, 10 and 14-20. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

I. DRAWING OBJECTIONS

The final Office action dated January 5, 2006 objects to the drawings regarding a feature of claim 14. However, with this Response Applicants cancel claim 14, thus mooting the rejection.

II. CLAIM CANCELLATIONS

With this Response, Applicants cancel claims 9, 10 and 14-20 without prejudice to later asserting those claims, such as in a continuation application. With the cancellation of claims 9, 10 and 14-20, all the remaining claims have been indicated as allowable.

III. CONCLUSION

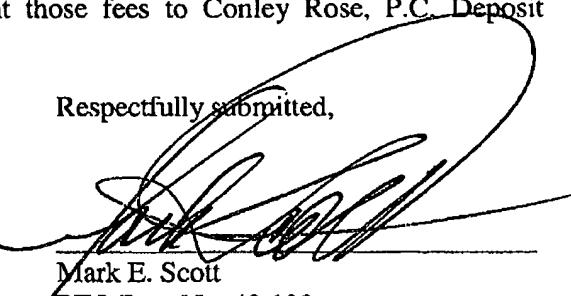
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration, allowance of the pending claims and a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite the resolution of this case, he/she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,



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